IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Thate et al. Docket No.: 54129 Application No.: 10/731,168 Examiner: ONEILI. Filed: 12/10/2003 Art Unit 1795 Customer No.: 26474 Confirmation No.: 5053

For: Method of fabricating a membrane-electrode assembly

Honorable Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

This is a reply to the non-final Office Action of May 20, 2008. Please enter and consider the following amendments and remarks.

It is respectfully requested that a one month extension of time be granted in this case. The respective \$120.00 fee is paid by credit card. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including any shortage in Extension of Time fees, to Deposit Account 14.1437. Please credit any excess fees to such account.

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